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THE REPLY FILED 12 December 2003 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.

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a) The period for reply expiresmonths from the mailing of	ate of the final rejection.
event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later that	sory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no an SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.  FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP
Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The dat have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extens 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened	e on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee sion and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in in the after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any
1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CF	
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered be	ecause:
(a) X they raise new issues that would require further	er consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
(b) they raise the issue of new matter (see Note be	pelow);
(c)  they are not deemed to place the application i issues for appeal; and/or	n better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the
(d) they present additional claims without cancel	ing a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.
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3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following reject	tion(s):
4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would canceling the non-allowable claim(s).	be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment
5. ☐ The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, or c) ☐ request fo application in condition for allowance because:	r reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered be raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.	cause it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly
7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment explanation of how the new or amended claims we	(s) a)⊠ will not be entered or b)□ will be entered and an ould be rejected is provided below or appended.
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:	
Claim(s) allowed:	
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Claim(s) rejected: <u>1-22</u> .	
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration:	
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9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Stateme	nt(s)( PTO-1449) Paper No(s)
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